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MAY VISIT BRITAIN SOON RE FOOD CONTRACTS HON. J. G. GARDINER MAY LEAVE BEFORE FAO CONFERENCE Position Red Bobs Wheat Discussed

World's Food and Agriculture Conference Will Open in Washington on Nov. 15th

OTTAWA MEETING DEC. 7-9

Dominion-Provincial Gathering — Saunders Wheat for 1949 May Exceed Prediction

By M. McDOUGALL, Press Gallery
(Special to The Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, Nov. 3rd.—The Minister of Agriculture, Hon. J. G. Gardiner, will be Canada's official representative at the Fourth Annual Conference of F.A.O. (Food and Agriculture Organization) meeting at Washington November 15th. There is always the possibility he might, before FAO ends, start for Britain to talk over the food contracts. Under the terms of the Wheat Agreement, the price of wheat for the next crop year will be determined before the end of December. Still that leaves a margin of time, and he may go later.

Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Barton, will be alternate delegate to FAO. It appears to be the belief that the idea will be pressed at the coming conference, which is the fourth annual conference, that as much effort and money as possible should be spent in helping backward nations to help themselves. This would be done by sending missions of expert scientists and engineers to these countries.

Dominion-Provincial Conference

The Dominion-Provincial agricultural conference which is to be held from December 7th to 9th will follow a little different procedure than formerly. It will be more "streamlined", to use a much-abused word.

The value of these conferences seems to be unquestioned. They have become annual consultative institutions. During the war it was the custom to present lots of statistics covering the output of the current year, and with these figures as background to study crop "goals". When the pressure of war was removed, goals became "prospects" of crops. This year delegates will be supplied in advance with latest expected production of the year. These reports will be studied before the conference opens, and delegates will be in a position to concentrate on the world's food needs, established world markets and Canada's position in the supply picture.

In connection with Canada's agricultural conference of December 7th, some interest attaches to the forecast of the United States Department of Agriculture on conditions for 1949 south of the border.

The U.S. Department's economists see prospects of: (a) slightly lower prices for farm products, but continued rise in production costs. No decrease in demand, with general business levels maintained; (b) lower export of wheat, with carryover next July of about 275 million bushels compared to

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Canadian Holstein Is World's Champion



A World Record for butterfat production over all breeds has just been established in the two-year-old class by this Canadian Holstein. She is Roeland Rag Apple Lilly, owned by John W. Greenwood, Maple, Ontario, and she produced 827 lbs. fat from 18,593 lbs. milk as a junior two-year-old on twice-a-day milking.

President Brown of C.C.I.L. Reports to Meetings in Alberta

Reorganization of Canadian Co-operative Implements Limited, through replacement of the existing local organizations by 156 new district associations, is now taking place. The new set-up, and the progress of the organization during the eight years it has been in existence, have been reviewed by J. B. Brown, President, at a series of meetings in Alberta.

At a meeting in Calgary recently, reports E. S. Shore, Calgary and District C.C.I.L. Secretary, V. J. Bertrand, Milo, and S. L. Stebbing, Calgary, were elected as delegates for districts 8 and 9. Alberta now has 7,000 members, Mr. Brown reported, and a campaign will be carried on with the objective of increasing this membership to 20,000.

In addition to the manufacturing plant and head office at Winnipeg, the C.C.I.L. now has warehouses and offices in Regina, Saskatoon and Edmonton; and property has been secured in Calgary, on which it is planned to erect Quonset type warehouses and offices in the near future.

Patronage dividends were paid in 1946, it was reported, of 7½ per cent on Cockshutt implements, and 10 per cent on Co-op manufactured goods. In 1947 C.C.I.L. was able to declare a 12 per cent dividend, of which 5 per cent was paid in cash and the balance left on loan with the organization.

The Canadian textile industry now employs three persons for every two engaged in this work in 1939.

The United Kingdom has recently signed an agreement to buy almost the whole of Australia's exportable butter up to June, 1955.

BOARD PROPOSES WITHDRAWAL BE GRADUAL PROCESS

Officials of Grain Commission and Minister Attend Meeting Called by A. F. A.

BELOW MARQUIS

In Protein Content — Data Shows Red Bobs Declining in Practically All Areas

By JAMES R. McFALL

A special meeting held in Edmonton for the purpose of discussing the quality of wheats, particularly Red Bobs, drew a small but interested group.

The meeting was sponsored by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, and Chairman Roy C. Marler called the meeting to order. The Hon. David Ure, Minister of Agriculture, was present and was asked to make a few opening comments. O. S. Longman, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was in attendance also, and was given an opportunity to express a few opening remarks.

Main Speakers

The main speakers included, from the Board of Grain Commissioners, John Valance, Commissioner, John Rayner, Secretary, and Dr. J. A. Anderson, Chief Chemist for the Board. Mr. McKinnon, Assistant Commissioner for Alberta, was also present.

In introducing the speakers, the chairman pointed out that the meet-

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Greenland Glaciers on the Move



From two miles up and 10 miles distant, a coast guard camera records the joining of two Greenland glaciers as they proceed to a fjord to deposit their iceberg quota. Under tremendous pressure of the ice cap, these glaciers inch along, winter and summer, moving as much as 50 feet per day. In early fall the fjords and bays freeze solid, preventing the movement of bergs. With the coming of spring, the breakup starts and the icebergs avalanche into the water.

United Grain Growers Have Year of Great Expansion

Pioneer Farmer-Owned Co-operative Is in Strong Financial Position at Close of Forty-second Year

Total for Distribution to Customers and Shareholders Well Over \$1,200,000 — President Brownlee Reports

CANADA'S pioneer farmer-owned and controlled Co-operative — United Grain Growers, Limited — ended its forty-second fiscal year on July 31 last in a strong financial position and with a large working capital considerably increased. Operating results were satisfactory.

The year was one of the most notable in the Company's history. It was a year of marked expansion. More than 100 country elevators were added to the United Grain Growers' system, bringing the total number now being operated to 628, and thus extending the services given by the Company to thousands of new farmer customers.

Better Balanced Elevator System

The expansion has also provided the company with a better balanced elevator system in relation both to the areas of crop production and the capacity of its terminals. Marked growth in membership and investment by Western farmers has also added to the company's strength during the year.

These gratifying facts were recorded in the report of the Board of Directors presented at the opening of the Annual Meeting of the company in Paget Hall, Calgary, on Wednesday, November 3rd, by the President, Hon. J. E. Brownlee, K.C., LL.D.

It was found possible, the Report showed, to make provisions for a patronage dividend amounting to \$250,000 and for the regular 5 per cent dividend on share capital, amounting to \$178,619.25. After taking care of these amounts and making necessary provisions for bond interest, taxes and depreciation, a moderate addition has been made to Earned Surplus Account.

These figures are exclusive of an adjusting payment, amounting to \$786,000, made to customers who had sold oats and barley to the company during the early weeks of the crop year. When this is added to the appropriations for dividends on share capital and patronage dividends, the total

amount available for distribution to the company's shareholders and customers, out of the operations for the past year, is brought to over \$1,200,000. Such payments, during the company's history, now amount to well over \$9,000,000.

Tribute to R. S. Law's Leadership

Tribute was paid to the leadership given to the company during his long term of office by Mr. R. S. Law, who found it necessary owing to ill health to resign from the Presidency early this year, and was succeeded by Mr. Brownlee, Mr. R. C. Brown, for many years a member of the Board, becoming Vice-President.

Secretary of the company from 1922 to 1929, when he was elected Vice-President, Mr. Law succeeded Hon. T. A. Crerar as President and General Manager in 1930. In the eighteen years which followed, "the company bore the brunt of the world depression which was to bring disaster to many business institutions. . . . Your company was brought through this period of strain and difficulty in full strength, and in a position to undertake further growth and service. . . . Its present position testifies to the sound foundations upon which it was established by the farmers of Western Canada, to the unwavering support which they have accorded it, and also to the wise direc-



HON. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C., LL.D.
President United Grain Growers, Ltd.
tion and careful administration of its affairs during a long period which put a heavy strain on anyone at the head of important business institutions. Delegates and shareholders will wish to be associated with an expression of appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Law and of good wishes for his future," stated the Report.

Farmer's Disproportionate Sacrifices

During the year, as a result of the progressive removal of price controls, farmers had felt the impact of increased costs of production, "particularly because controls on agricultural prices which have not yet entirely disappeared, continued longer than controls on wages and other high prices." Farmers "became conscious of the disproportionate sacrifices of income which price control had imposed on them. For your company, rising prices and higher wage scales meant greatly increased operating costs, which could only be met by some increase in charges for services."

The Report pointed out that the exhaustion of wheat stocks accumulated during the war meant that former buyers of Canadian wheat have had to rely to an increasing extent upon the United States, "a fact which may later cause difficulty in re-establishing export connections for Canadian wheat."

Because only small quantities of oats and barley had been allowed to leave Canada (in order to conserve feed for requirements in this country) the market for malting barley in the United States had been sacrificed, and might be difficult to re-establish.

Increased Percentage of Total Business

In spite of the smaller crop of wheat in 1947, which had meant an inevitable decline in the quality of wheat handled by the company, "its volume of business was nevertheless very satisfactory under the circumstances. It handled an increased percentage of the total business quite apart from such increase as resulted from the acquisition of new elevators."

Net Profit \$383,076.31

Net profit for the year, after making provision for patronage dividend, for taxes, for depreciation and other charges, was \$383,076.31. That, added to the earned surplus as at July 31st, 1947, of \$632,000.85, gives a total of \$1,015,077.16. "From that amount there are to be deducted dividend of 5%

declared on Class "A" Shares, payable September 1st, 1948, amounting to \$164,992, and provision for dividend on Class "B" Shares, \$13,627.25. Discount and expenses on account of bonds issued during the year, and expenses in connection with the sale of capital stock are completely provided for in the amount of \$70,251.36. These deductions, to a total of \$248,870.61, leave to be carried forward in earned surplus account \$766,206.55, which is an increase of \$134,205.30 from the previous year's earned surplus account."

The Consolidated Balance Sheet showed that Capital Assets of the company represent an investment of \$14,658,692.98, against which depreciation reserves stand at \$7,813,915.74.

Expansion of Elevator System

The Report dealt at length with the expansion of the company's elevator system during the year. Of 110 country elevators purchased from the Reliance Grain Company in March last, 94 were in Saskatchewan and 16 in Alberta. From the Anderson Elevator Company 5 elevators in Saskatchewan were purchased at the same time. During the year, 13 other elevators were acquired by purchase. Five were built or rebuilt; fifteen elevators were sold, 2 elevators were wrecked and 3 were lost by fire.

"As at July 31st, 1948," the Report stated, "your company owned 628 country elevators as against 515 at the end of the previous year. Of these 114 were in Manitoba, 206 in Saskatchewan and 308 in Alberta. Additional buildings operated in connection therewith included 104 permanent annexes, 329 temporary annexes, 364 coal sheds, 296 flour sheds, 296 flour houses, 348 agents' cottages and 4 miscellaneous buildings."

Grain collected in the company's country elevators flows to market mainly through terminal elevators at Port Arthur and Vancouver. The Port Arthur terminal is owned by the company and has a capacity of 5,500,000 bushels. Extensive improvements have made it one of the most modern, efficient and economical terminals at the Lake Head. The Vancouver terminal of 2,600,000 bushels capacity is leased from the National Harbors Board.

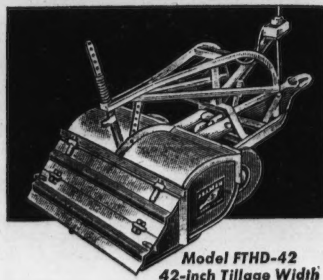
Farm Supplies Department

During the year the Farm Supplies Department showed a reasonable surplus. "The department," states the Report, "is operated primarily to provide useful service to the company's customers in supplying high quality goods in as economical a manner as possible. Through this department there has been developed a very efficient method of distributing supplies at low cost, one that is not surpassed in this respect in Western Canada."

Binder twine still constitutes an important percentage of the total business in supplies, though the increasing use of combines has meant that a decreasing percentage of the total crop is cut by binders. The company has been for many years one of the largest retail distributors of coal in Western Canada, and its standing in this respect has been enhanced by acquisition of coal sheds at new elevator points. The Company during the past year has undertaken distribution of "Warm Morning" coal heaters, of which there have been thousands of sales. "The Company's line of 'Money-Maker' feeds, manufactured in a plant at South Edmonton, has found favor with a large number of livestock feeders and poultry men. . . . The Farm Supplies Department began last year the distribution of Weeder and Woodone, 2-4D sprays in different forms, for the control of weeds, from which users report very satisfactory results."

The Report dealt at length with the six subsidiary companies, all wholly owned by the U.G.G. Net profit of United Grain Growers Security Company, Ltd., for the year was \$43,507.

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ANNUAL MEETING UNITED GRAIN GROWERS

Of The Country Guide, wholly owned by the company, it was stated: "Delegates and shareholders have always taken pride in the high quality of this publication and the service it gives to Western Agriculture. With a monthly circulation of over 200,000, it reaches a high percentage of the farm homes of the Prairie Provinces and is the largest monthly farm magazine in the British Empire." Gross advertising revenue reached a record total of \$552,915 last year and expenses a maximum figure of \$444,775.

Oats and Barley Special Payment

Producers who sold oats and barley to the company from August 1st to October 21st, 1947, while ceiling prices were in effect, later received from the company an additional 11 cents a bushel on oats and 14 cents on barley, to a total amount of \$786,000. Subsequently the Dominion Government distributed 5 cents per bushel on oats and 11 cents per bushel on barley to all Western farmers who had sold these grains during the period in question. This brought the total of adjusting payments received by the company's customers to 16 cents per bushel on oats and 25 1/4 cents per bushel on barley.

New Capital Stock Oversubscribed

Following approval a year ago of an additional issue of \$500,000 in capital stock, shareholders and customers have been given an opportunity to subscribe for Class "A" shares at par value of \$20 each. At the date of the balance sheet, new shares to a total par value of \$487,000 had been issued, and applications since received have been oversubscribed. The Directors recommended that some further shares should be issued this year.

With reference to increased charges for elevator services, it was pointed out that rising costs had made these imperative, and that the company, the Pools and the North-West Line Elevator Association had all presented requests to the Grain Commissioners and Canadian Wheat Board, similar in tone and content.

Financial support was continued during the year to the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, and to the Manitoba Federation of Agriculture and Co-operation, while membership in and financial support of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture had been maintained, and through the Canadian Federation support had been given to the International Federation of Agricultural Producers.

Outlook of Western Farming

The Report concluded with a brief reference to the history of the company, an expression of appreciation of the loyal and efficient services of the staff, and a survey of the outlook for Western farming, in an examination which showed "reasons both for confidence and for concern."

Confidence could be felt "because on the whole Western agriculture is in a better position than ever before to cope with adversities that may be encountered." Such confidence, however, was "moderated by the fact that inflationary forces have been increasing production costs just at the time when agricultural prices have been showing a tendency to decline." Concern arose, too, because of the uncertain outlook for international trade, arising from disturbed political and economic conditions throughout the world.

"Present uncertainties," it was stated, "are too great to enable any long-term program for Canadian agriculture to be planned in confidence. Instead it will be necessary for individual farmers, for farm organizations and for the Government to be continuously alert with respect to constantly changing conditions and to be prepared to adjust production and programs, ideas and policies, as may be required. There will be scope in the future, as there has been in the past, for the contribution of your company, to the solution of constantly changing problems that will be met by Canadian agriculture."

DEVELOPMENTS IN GRAIN POLICY ARE PASSED IN REVIEW

U.G.G. Board Examines British Wheat Agreement and Various Grain Policy Changes

Changes and developments in the grain policy of the Dominion Government in respect to wheat, flax, barley and oats, as well as the International Wheat Agreement which has remained ineffective owing to the refusal of the United States Congress to ratify it, were discussed with great thoroughness in the Annual Report of the Board of Directors of United Grain Growers, Ltd., to the Annual Meeting of the Company this week.

The British Wheat Agreement, it was pointed out, entered the third year of its operation on August 1st last. During this period Britain agrees to purchase 140,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat at \$2 a bushel. After the close of the present crop year the agreement has another year to run, and before December 31st, 1948, the price for the final year is to be negotiated between the two Governments concerned. The price finally established, the Report stated, may play an important part in determining the attitude of the farmers of Western Canada upon this matter.

Provisions of Agreement Reviewed

"It will be recalled," the Report went on, "that during each of the first two years of the Agreement Great Britain purchased one hundred and sixty million bushels of Canadian wheat at a price of \$1.55 per bushel. The Agreement provided for minimum guaranteed prices for the third and fourth year of \$1.25 and \$1.00 per bushel respectively, with the proviso that the actual prices for the third and fourth years were to be negotiated.

"Further provision was made that in such negotiations the United Kingdom would 'have regard' to the difference between \$1.55 per bushel prevailing during the first two years and 'world prices' for wheat during that time.

Exact Meaning Difficult to State

"The exact meaning and probable effect of that undertaking are difficult to state. 'World prices' are sometimes understood as the open market prices prevailing in the United States, but the words might be taken as referring to prices at which Canada sells wheat to other countries. Much controversy has already taken place as to whether, having regard to other wheat prices prevailing since the beginning of the contract, this proviso can be implemented in the last two years. Unfortunately, as is probably inevitable in any Government contract with respect to a food commodity, the question has become a political one and much more may be heard of it before the end of another year.

Necessary to Defer Judgment

"Your Company has no responsibility for the contract. It was not consulted with respect to it and passed no opinion. After it had been made, your Board expressed the opinion that judgment of the contract would have to be deferred until the results could be more accurately assessed after the termination of the contract. Your Board feels it is still necessary to defer judgment.

"It should not be forgotten that in entering into the contract the Government simply complied with a principle which had been advocated by a considerable section of the organized farm movement of Canada. In view of that widespread sentiment an experiment of this kind probably had to be undertaken at some time.

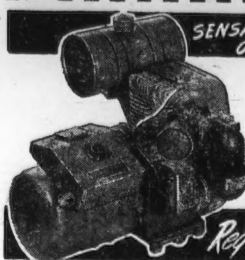
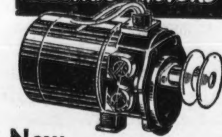
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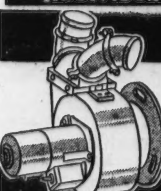
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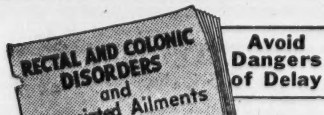
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UNITED GRAIN GROWERS' NOTABLE YEAR

At the Annual Meeting of United Grain Growers held in Calgary during the current week, the elected officers of the Company laid before the delegates a detailed account of their stewardship during the financial year which recently closed.

The year was one of exceptional achievement. It was marked both by expansion on a large scale of the Company's elevator system and by significant growth in membership throughout the West. The Company had to its credit important gains in financial strength. The record of subsidiaries was gratifying.

The increase during the year in the number of country elevators owned by the Company by 113—from 515 to 628—means that a much better balanced elevator system has now been established. This is true alike, as the Report indicates, in respect to areas of crop production and to the most effective use of the capacity of the Company's terminals.

Hon. J. E. Brownlee, the President and General Manager, the Board of Directors and the staff, as well as the customers and shareholders of the Company, are to be congratulated on what has been accomplished.

In concluding his report, President Brownlee discussed at some length the outlook for Western farming, pointing to the factors which make for confidence as well as to those which give cause for concern.

"There will be a continuing need in the world," he said, "for all the food that Western Canada can produce, for world requirements are expanding more rapidly than world production. But means must be found by which such food can be transferred and paid for, and if they are not found the consequences will be serious alike for this country and for other countries."

SUBMISSION ON INCOME TAX

A submission prepared by the Income Tax Committee of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture is printed on another page. The remainder will be published in our next issue.

The submission has been taken to Ottawa by President Roy Marler, and when this issue comes into the hands of our readers it will have come before other officers of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture whom Mr. Marler has joined for the purpose of making representations to the Dominion Government on the subject of income tax legislation.

The Committee has done a thorough job, involving long and careful study and the pooling of information. The adoption of its recommendations would remove existing inequities and causes of confusion.

"BUDGET" CELEBRATES HISTORIC DATE — OCTOBER 29

We extended to the Alberta Wheat Pool some weeks ago, in an article in these columns, our felicitations on the celebration this fall of the Pool's Silver Anniversary. Tribute was paid to the Pool's founders and to those who have

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

We see in the memorial march past

The thinning of old soldiers' ranks laid bare.

Their sons are marching with them at the last,

And son's sons too, they know, in time may fare

To foreign fields to fight the fight again

That thirty years since they had counted won,

When "cease fire" to the lines of weary men

Proclaimed "the war to end war" past and done.

They dwell once more in that illusive hour,

And mourn again the maimed and blind and dead,

And curse the plots and schisms that devour

The dream on which their last bright hope was fed—

Of listening to reveille on the morn

That sees the world to lasting peace reborn.

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

It Was Thanksgiving Morning

By JAS. R. McFALL

IT was 4:15 a.m. on the morning of October 11th. I found myself waiting on the Medicine Hat railway platform ready to board the train for Calgary. The clear, crisp, starlit night that promised well for the coming day and the fact that I was returning to my wife and family, soon cleared away my sleepiness and tended to remove my disgust for early morning trains.

Time lagged while we travelled during the hours of darkness, but as dawn began to break, we were leaving Brooks on our westward journey. It was at this stage of my trip that a feeling of satisfaction began to creep over me and fill my every thought.

It was not just the fact that I was returning home, nor that we were riding in a comfortable, only partially filled coach, nor that the day was dawning bright and clear, nor the pastoral scenes along the way, that led to this feeling of satisfaction and thanksgiving. It was a combination of many things.

You see it is this way. I am a farmer and an Albertan. I appreciate the land, its use and the returns which it can bring forth. Along the right of way I saw stacks of hay, straw stacks, stubble fields with the combined straw spread back on the land. I saw the cattle lolling in the fence corners, some standing, contemplating an early breakfast. Then there were ducks on the ponds and an occasional flock of geese feeding on the fields.

All of these things represented to me the work of nature in response to the labors of man. Such is not always the case, as I have experienced, so why not be thankful?

The scene was not just one that applied to the present. The hay and straw stacks represented feed for future production. They showed that many of our farmers appreciate the value of livestock and its by-products as a necessity for permanent agriculture. Then, the straw spread back on the land helped protect the soil from the ravages of wind and water. We saw fields of good summer fallow too. These facts showed that we have confidence in the future. Returns for today and confidence for tomorrow are thoughts for much thanksgiving.

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evitably be subject to two difficulties:

"(1) Such fundamentals as general price levels, world crops and cost of production cannot be forecast several years ahead. It appears quite clear already that those who thought the contract acceptable when it was made did not anticipate such rises in costs and general price levels as have since occurred.

"(2) The second difficulty lies in the fact that any such contract immediately becomes a matter of major political importance, both in Canada and the United Kingdom. If producers appear to receive less than 'world prices' they will be dissatisfied, and on the other hand it would be a serious matter for the Government of Great Britain, if, as a result of such a contract, consumers in that country should appear to be paying much more than 'world prices' for such an essential food commodity.

A Further Risk

"There is a further risk in such a bilateral contract of arousing resentment on the part of other countries, both importers and exporters.

"Western farmers will do well to dispassionately examine the results of the Agreement, when they can be established, so as to decide whether any real advantage does accrue from fixing prices over several years as against determining prices from year to year, and whether the feeling of security which such an Agreement may appear to give is purchased at too high a price."

Wheat Exports to Other Countries

"When the British contract was made in 1946 the former price ceiling of \$1.55 per bushel on export sales to other countries was removed and the Canadian Wheat Board was instructed by the Dominion Government to make such sales to the best possible advantage", the Report set forth. "High prices for such exports prevailed during the past year, the peak of \$3.40 being reached in December, 1947. There was a gradual decline during 1948 to \$2.40 per bushel at the beginning of the current crop year, and lower levels since that time. It must be noted that although the Canadian Government, through the Wheat Board, had a complete monopoly of Canadian wheat, it had no power to prevent the operation of world forces which brought about a decline of more than \$1.00 per bushel within a period of a few months. After supplying British and domestic needs, only about 35 million bushels were available from the 1947 crop for export. More than twice that quantity can be exported to other countries during the current crop year.

Increase in Initial Payments

"An increase from \$1.35 to \$1.55 per bushel was made in the initial Wheat Board price for wheat on April 1st, 1948, after which an adjusting payment of 20 cents per bushel was made on all wheat deliveries from August 1st, 1945, to that date, the total distribution being about \$155,000,000.

"The Government authorized this increased distribution because it had been holding back, to guarantee it against loss, an unnecessarily large sum of money which otherwise would not have been distributed to producers until some time after 1950. A further increase in the initial price and another adjusting payment are reasonably to be expected in 1949.

Domestic Price for Wheat

"The basis for wheat sold for domestic consumption in Canada was increased on August 1st, 1948, from \$1.55 to \$2.00 per bushel, to correspond with the price being paid by Great Britain. At the same time the Government introduced a subsidy on wheat milled for domestic consumption in order to prevent an advance in the cost of flour which otherwise would have taken place. Once the Government established a monopoly on wheat in September, 1943, it had to accept responsibility both for the price at which wheat was sold for domestic

consumption in Canada and the returns to producers for such wheat. Throughout that time returns to producers have been limited in the interests of consumers. Until late in 1947 other price controls gave some compensation to wheat producers, but for over a year now there has been no such compensation.

Government Grain Policy — Flax

"For several years past flax has been handled differently from all other grains, with the Government buying outright, at a fixed price, all flax seed produced, reselling part of it in Canada, sometimes at a loss, and exporting the surplus, usually at a profit which offset losses on domestic sales. The fixed price for 1947-48 was set on the basis of \$5.00 per bushel, later increased to \$5.50, because of profits expected on exports. However, the Government was left with an unexportable surplus at the year end, on which it may experience a considerable loss.

"For the current crop year the government planned to get out of the flax business. It removed price ceilings and other market restraints and although before seeding it offered a minimum guaranteed price basis of \$4.00 per bushel, apparently expected that it would not have to buy any flax on that basis. The corresponding price basis in the United States, guaranteed by the government there, was \$6.00 per bushel.

More Than Expected

"Flax production was much larger than expected, both in Canada and in the United States. The latter country, instead of being as formerly, an eager buyer of Canada's export surplus, has embargoed imports, and also because it has a surplus for export, refuses to allow European Recovery Plan funds to be used in buying Canadian flax for European countries obtaining assistance under that plan.

"There was for a time an acute world shortage of oils and fats, because of which the governments of Canada and the United States guaranteed prices of flax seed, intended to stimulate production. That incentive has been unexpectedly successful, and Canada now has a large surplus, for which there are no adequate export outlets. The market has accordingly dropped to a level which is forcing the Government to make good its guarantee by buying flax at \$4.00 per bushel. It may have to buy most of the crop and carry the surplus for a year or more.

"Unless there is some marked change in the situation it is probable that for another season the Government will be discouraging, instead of encouraging the production of flax.

Oats and Barley

"The former price ceilings of 65 cents per bushel on oats, and 93 cents on barley were removed on October 21st, 1947. The sharp rise in market prices which immediately followed was not maintained throughout the crop year, because an indirect method of price control was applied to these grains, after the direct control had disappeared. Exports were completely embargoed for a time, and then allowed only to a limited extent, subject to high fees for export permits, which began at \$1.30 per bushel for barley, and 65 cents per bushel for oats, and although gradually reduced, fluctuated in accordance with changes in the American market for oats and barley. This was both to conserve feed grains for use in Canada, on account of a shortage in the east, and to keep down prices. Such controls continued until July 31st, by which time there had been a great decline in prices on the American market. They were removed only when the former embargo on exports to the United States of Canadian beef and cattle was lifted.

International Wheat Agreement

Dealing with the International Wheat Agreement, which was negotiated at Washington early in 1948 but failed to become effective when Congress refused to ratify it, the Report

A.F.A. NOTES

By JAMES R. McFALL, Secretary

Convention Rates — The A.F.A. has made arrangements to secure convention railway rates for all delegates and visitors attending the Annual Meeting in Calgary, December 16th and 17th.

You are instructed to purchase a one-way standard or coach fare and ask for a Standard Convention Certificate. The reduction applies on the return fare and will vary according to the number of tickets purchased.

Tickets can be purchased on or after December 13th and are valid for return up to and including December 20th.

I.F.A.P. Annual Meeting—As previously announced, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture will act as hosts to the Annual Meeting of the International Federation of Agricultural Pro-

ducers in 1949. Before and after the business sessions, visiting delegates will be provided an opportunity to see at first hand agriculture in the various provinces.

Alberta will possibly be allowed two days for this purpose. The Federation has set up a Committee to arrange for a tour in this Province. It is hoped that their visit will coincide with some stampede dates, as Alberta is known for its stampedes throughout the world.

The Canadian Federation of Agriculture has played a prominent role in the activities of this international organization. Mr. Marler, who was one of the delegates to the Paris meeting last May, reports that all delegates are looking ahead to the Canadian meeting.

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First entries from Alberta for the livestock classes of the International Live Stock Exposition were received in Chicago last week, from T. G. Hamilton, Shorthorn breeder of Innisfail.

For the immediate future the ability of Canada to get wheat exported to many countries would depend upon the continued willingness of the United States to continue furnishing funds for European recovery under the Marshall Plan.

The successful negotiation and operation of an international wheat agreement, stated the Report, "will depend largely both upon the ideas of other countries" (than Canada) "and upon the effect of forces outside of the influence of this country."

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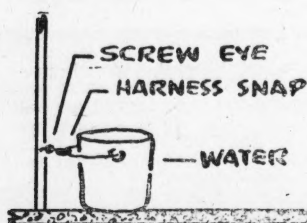
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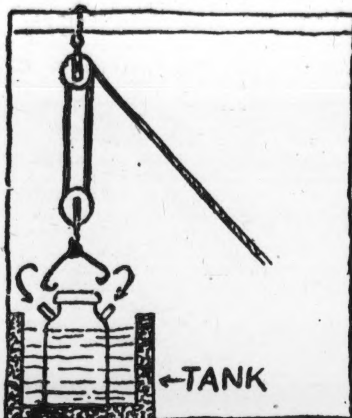
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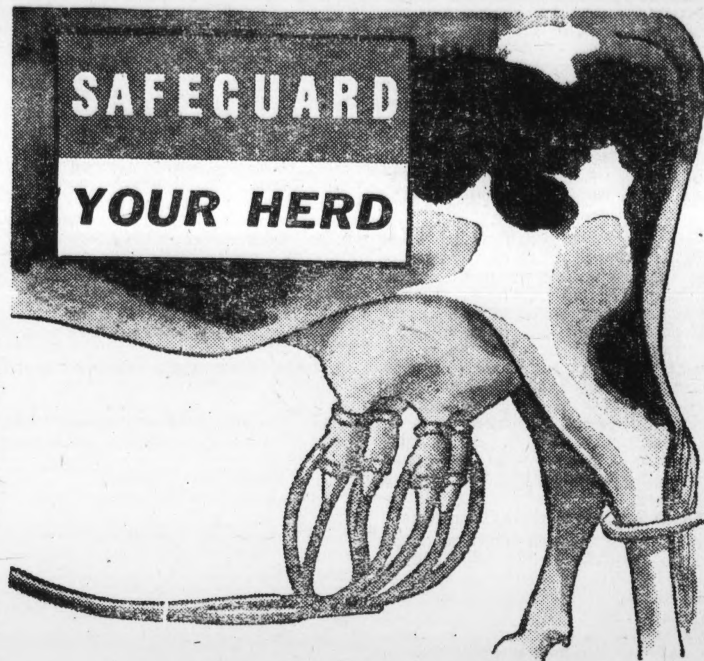
snap, as shown in the accompanying diagram. The snap may be attached to a short piece of rope or wire secured to the wall at the same level as the top of the pail. The pail handle should be turned toward the wall.

LIFTING MILK CANS

A simple way of lifting heavy milk cans out of the cooling tank is to take an inexpensive block and tackle and



arrange it conveniently in the top of the milk house. The hooks attached to the handle of the can can be made easily from old scrap iron.



THREE MINUTE MILKING

If you use a milking machine, take time out to read this article.

ONE of the greatest advances in dairy management has been the new emphasis that has been placed on managed milking.

Those who have carefully studied their milking procedures have found that it is possible to milk a herd in an average time of about three minutes per cow. The plan in brief is to wipe and massage the udder for about one-half minute with a warm damp cloth, draw out the foremilk, put the teat cups on promptly and machine strip as quickly as indicated. This procedure not only speeds up the milking time, it also promotes better udder health.

Good Things Can Be Misused

It appears, however, that all good things are misunderstood and misused. Uninformed persons, particularly those who have not milked many cows in this way, have jumped to the conclusion that all a man needs is a milking machine and a stop-watch. As soon

as a cow has been milked three minutes, they advise taking the milker off. The idea is that soon the cow will catch on to this new procedure and see to it that she is completely milked out by the three-minute limit. Typical of comment in this line is the following excerpt taken from a national magazine recently:

"By the simplest expedient of accurately timing the milking period, it is possible to train or educate cows to adjust their milk let-down to a time period chosen by the operator and the closer to three minutes, the more readily they respond, and seemingly are only too glad to do so. When you tell a veteran cow milker, with 5 to 20 years of machine milking experience behind him, that he can milk the same cows he is milking, and has milked for years, in 3 minutes, do it in less time, with less work, less stripping, most anything is apt to happen. He certainly will not believe you but may even become dangerous. It is advisable to leave the door open to facilitate a quick getaway, just in case."

Doesn't Care About Stop-Watch

We agree that a herd can be trained to average three minutes per cow, but we categorically reject the assertion that every cow should be milked out in three minutes. Some people forget that they are working with a biological process that doesn't understand or care about a stop-watch. All cows are different and the success of a good herdsman depends to a large extent on his ability to know the individual differences of each animal. Any mechanic can put a milker on a cow and hold a stop-watch. That doesn't mean that he is going to get the most milk from every cow by any means.

Let's compare two cows. Old Betsy is well along in her lactation. She has

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Attention Turkey Raisers!

Now is the time to be thinking about fattening your turkeys. We think it possible to increase the percentage of A Grade considerably if patrons will make up their minds to it. Birds that have been confined to a yard of not more than an acre and have had a balanced ration of feed constantly before them should fatten quite easily in approximately four weeks.

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Submission of the Income Tax Committee of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture

President Roy Marler, of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, this week joined at Ottawa a delegation of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, formed for the purpose of laying before the Dominion Government the views of the national organization on the revision of income tax legislation. The following submission on this subject was prepared by the Income Tax Committee of the Alberta Federation.

THIS COMMITTEE was set up early in 1948 by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture as a result of the concern and harassment felt by farmers over their Income Tax position.

Since 1940 the prices of farm products have increased, with the result that each year more farmers find it necessary or advisable to file the Income Tax return. For the year 1946-47 approximately three out of every four farmers in Alberta filed returns, with many being requested to file a net worth statement. Not having sufficient records, or not being sufficiently familiar with the *Income Tax Act* and regulations, many farmers have been in an almost impossible position.

The Committee feels that farmers and farmer organizations generally consider the principle of income taxation to be sound and fair. The major difficulties are mostly results of a too complicated Income Tax return form, misinformation, lack of information and faulty application of regulations.

A few fundamentals must be kept in mind when making a study of a question of this importance.

1. If the principle of income taxation is to be continued and operated with equity and understanding, it must not be subject to radical changes. This is most important if the basic herd principle and that of averaging farm income for taxation purposes is to be effectively applied.

2. Such action as was adopted by the Department last season in bringing out the net worth statement without consulting those vitally affected must be severely criticized, as such action tends to destroy confidence and builds up animosity toward the whole system.

3. Farmers are just as honest as any class of people, and should be considered honest until proven otherwise. They are not entitled to, nor are they asking, any special privileges or consideration under ordinary circumstances.

4. The very nature of their industry does not lend itself to accountancy or book work.

5. The application of the tax should be carried out with a view to encouraging initiative, increasing production and causing the least possible infringement on personal freedom. The levying of such a tax should not become an impediment to those desirous of entering into or remaining in the industry. To be successful, the tax should be compatible with the individual income and thus create a better feeling and a greater degree of tolerance among the farm people.

The Committee considers that the Staff and Administration are, for the most part, anxious to carry out their responsibilities on a fair and equitable basis, and in many instances, have proven to be capable and qualified for their duties. In some appointments, however, more consideration could be given to choosing men who have had a few years of experience in some practical field which would enable them to have a better understanding of conditions as they exist in, pertain to, and affect agriculture from time to time.

We submit our recommendations under the four following headings:

1. Simplicity of the Income Tax Return form.
2. Changes in regulations.
3. Additions to the Income Tax Guide.
4. Basic Herd Directive.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Simplicity of Forms: If Income Tax is to be applied on a fair and equitable basis, the report forms must be reasonably complete, yet as concise and simple as possible.

We recommend a statement dealing with income and expenditures. These statements present some changes from the 1947 form and should meet the requirements of both the Department and the farmer. The Committee recognizes the fact that those who wish to adopt the basic herd principle will of necessity have to provide an inventory of livestock concerned, but it is not considered necessary to require an inventory of other farm products as these figures can only be arrived at by estimation

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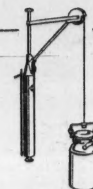
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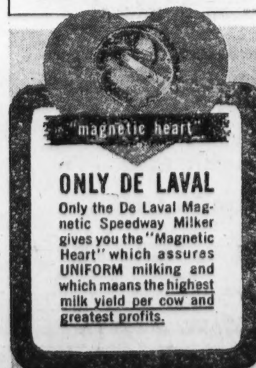
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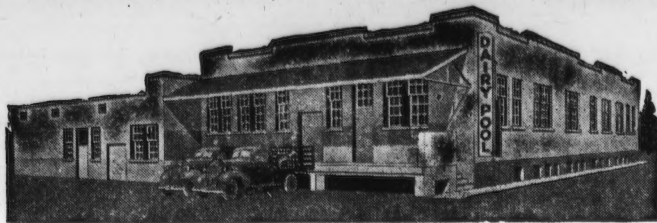
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Third Anniversary of the United Nations

By ALEXANDER CALHOUN

To Our Members: Mr. Alex. Calhoun has been kind enough to write an article on current world affairs which will bring to many of our members a clearer picture of the effort that is being made in high places to prevent another world war.

The peaceful solution of the many difficult problems now facing the United Nations is very necessary if war is to be avoided. Previous to the United Nations coming into being, the same conditions would have plunged the world into war. Without saying it, Mr. Calhoun points out what may yet be accomplished by co-operation.

My advice to our members is to continue to co-operate in their farm organizations and when possible put in a good word for the employment of co-operative methods in world affairs.

Yours fraternally,

WILLIAM BURNS,
President.

IN Canada and throughout the British Commonwealth we have just been celebrating the third anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. In Calgary, Mayor Watson issued a proclamation in noble and dignified terms. From Ottawa, Mr. Howe, the Acting Prime Minister, called upon us to observe with due ceremony this important occasion. In various Canadian cities and towns the event was marked with meetings.

High Hopes Unfulfilled

My readers who live on Western farms will have heard messages over the air, including one from a Minister of the Crown, the Hon. Brooke Claxton, speaking at a United Nations dinner in Toronto. As you

listened, you will have had your own thoughts and they must naturally have been tinged with a measure of disillusion. Our high hopes born at San Francisco, three years ago, have not been fulfilled, and our faith in the capacity of human beings



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Markets for honey at the moment are difficult to find, yet in spite of the large crop of honey produced in all sections of Canada, I think we will be able to dispose of this year's large crop to the advantage of the Beekeepers who have shipped their honey to us.

Yours fraternally,

Wm Burns

PRESIDENT.
Southern Alberta Dairy Pool

to compose their differences has, to say the least, not been justified.

I do not propose to defend at length the work of the United Nations. But it is only fair to remind you that its founders did not expect the United Nations to concern itself with the making of the peace treaties, or the settling of armed disputes arising from the war. This was to be the responsibility of the Big Five, the victors in the war. This presupposed co-operation and harmony among the victors. But alas, our hopes of such harmony have not been realized.

Considerable Achievements

Nevertheless, even in the complicated arena of power politics, and in the settlement of armed conflict, the achievements of the United Nations have not been inconsiderable:

The Palestine conflict is still unresolved, but would appear to be nearing at least a temporary solution. It is a conflict in which imperialistic and economic forces are deeply meshed. The contestants are merely pawns on a larger stage. And yet, U.N. mediation has played no small part in bringing world opinion to bear and has probably saved many lives.

In Indonesia, U.N. mediation, while achieving no complete or satisfactory settlement, has scored a considerable success.

The reference of the Berlin stalemate to the Security Council has been a counsel of despair, and no concrete result has been achieved. But the small nations, including Canada, have been given their first opportunity to plead with the Great Powers and to act as mediators.

Subsidiary Agencies' Important Work

Our attention is focussed by our press and radio mainly on the deliberations of the Security Council and Assembly. All too little attention is paid to the very important work of subsidiary agencies such as Unesco, the World Health Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization, and the International Trade Organization, all working under the Social and Economic Council.

The World Health Organization is making plans to conquer malaria, whose victims number over 100,000,000. This plague can be practically eliminated in a few years, if proper measures are taken. What a boon to humanity! Food production would immediately increase in areas where malaria has been rampant. Would war be likely in a world where disease and hunger have been eliminated?

The biggest job the human race

can tackle is the provision of three square meals a day for all its people. If only the energies which are being diverted to war preparations could be channelled into a war against hunger and disease! Your enthusiastic support of the United Nations is the key to this problem.

I think it is fair to say that world leaders are more persuaded of the need to maintain the United Nations than they were in regard to the old League of Nations, this despite the extent to which the Great Powers play the game of power politics within the United Nations. I think it is also true that the people are lagging behind their leaders in supporting the United Nations.

Farm People Could Take Lead

I believe in the United Nations as our last great hope. I do not see how it can prosper without the warm support of our people. Our farm people could well take the lead in a more aggressive rally to the cause of peace and freedom.

Our Western farm people have always been internationally minded. They market their surpluses in the world market and chiefly in the British Isles. Thanks to the Marshall Plan, that market is still open. American dollars are financing our sales and may do so for four years, in the hope that European economies can be restored.

I believe in the United Nations.

I believe in the United Nations. I believe cynicism and fear are our greatest enemies. I believe another world war would mean race suicide and the end of our civilization. Only the United Nations stand between us and that doom. This is why I have thought this an appropriate subject for the members of the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool.



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and do not affect in any way the income received or expenses paid out. Details of the revised forms are appended. (These will be printed in the next issue of **The Western Farm Leader**.)

Changes in Regulations

(a) It is the considered opinion of the Committee that the present cost of living exemptions which are deductible from the net income before the tax is determined are not sufficient. The Department of Finance should immediately increase this exemption to at least \$2,400 for married persons and \$1,200 for single persons.

(b) At least one-third of all repairs and depreciation with respect to the farm residence should be deductible as a farm expense. It is a recognized fact that the farm dwelling is more than a home to house the farmer's family and is exposed to wear and tear as a part of the farm enterprise. A portion of depreciation and repairs should therefore be chargeable to farm expenses.

(c) The Income Tax Act should be amended to delete Clause which requires farmers to estimate their income in December and pay two-thirds of the estimated tax before December 31st. This requirement only tends to confuse the whole issue. It does not add to the income received and only makes considerable unnecessary work and expense for the taxpayer.

(d) Depreciation should be allowed on water wells which are used for stock as they cannot be looked upon as a non-depreciating improvement. This is definitely not the case.

(e) Expenses incurred in land clearing, brush breaking and levelling should be allowed as deductible expense. Such obligations are looked upon as essentials to production and not as increased capital value.

(f) The collection of Income Tax from farm labor has always proved to be very unsatisfactory. This regulation should provide for a report showing payments plus board paid to farm laborers but should not require the collection of income tax at the source.

(g) **Board to Hired Help:** Board supplied to farm labor has always been provided at a nominal charge without relation to cost. Regulations should provide for charging board on basis of cost.

(h) **Produce Grown on the Farm:** The regulation that requires farmers to estimate the value of farm produce consumed on the farm and take same as an item of income has never worked satisfactorily. Proper estimates cannot be made, as much of this produce is not saleable and practically all of it is produced by overtime work or through the efforts of members of the family. Therefore this regulation should be discontinued.

(i) **Local Appeal Boards:** Whereas the responsibility of reporting income tax is left with the individual, and whereas this responsibility was not enforced until some years after exemptions were decreased and rates increased, and whereas the net worth statement is being used to bring accounts up to date, causing what may appear an unfair assessment in many cases. Therefore, this committee would recommend that local Appeal Boards be set up at Provincial Income Tax offices for the purpose of reviewing cases where the taxpayer feels that he has received unfair treatment, such Boards to have farmer representation. Further, that an individual nominated by organized agriculture and at the expense of the Department, be placed at each District and branch office to act as consultant to farmers seeking information.

(j) **Tax Clearance:** The delay in giving final clearance on income tax assessment has caused considerable concern and worry to farmers. The Committee feels that all statements should be fully assessed in the twelve months period following the closing date for filing returns, and if this is not done, the returns be considered closed. We would provide one exception to this rule. Any statements that have been officially questioned could be held open, but these should be finally assessed and cleared inside of two years.

(k) **Medical Bills:** The Committee is of the opinion that medical expenses over and above four per cent of net income do not allow sufficient relief. They recommend that all optical, doctors', dentists', nurses', hospital and medicine bills be allowable as deductions from net income in determining taxable income.

The remainder of the brief will be published in the next issue of **The Western Farm Leader**.

A Uruguayan buyer paid \$9,400 for a five-months old bull calf at the All-Canadian Holstein Sale held recently in Toronto. Russian reports state 53 beet sugar factories will be erected this year, which at least 20 will begin slicing during the present season.

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AT ARROWWOOD

There was a good attendance at the October meeting of Arrowwood U.F.W.A., to hear Miss Hogg's talk on "New Materials and Their Uses". These ladies last month shipped over 1200 pounds of food to the Junior Red Cross Hospital.

Interests of The United Farm Women

EN ROUTE

Dear Farm Women:

If you have been following my letters, you will know that we did what so many other prairie people have done—pulled up stakes and left for B.C. As it was not pre-meditated, it was the more disturbing.

We motored, or rather I should say, we are motoring, as I am writing this en route. In such an experience, adjectives seem very much in demand.

Wonderful Kindness of Old Friends

There is first the wonderful kindnesses of old friends at home before we left and of others on whom we called on our way. At a banquet before we left, a speaker said that as a boy in Ireland he slipped away from home to go to a wake. He was very much struck with the very kind remarks that were being made about the man who had just passed away. Quite different from those usually given by some. Later he attended a party for a young fellow going to America and heard comments of the same nature. He came to the conclusion, he said, that if anyone wanted flattering comments made about them, it was necessary to go to America or else give up living. My experience is that going to B.C. works quite as well! But as this speaker said, it would be a kinder policy if we all learned to distribute these tributes a little more evenly through life.

As to the trip, a great many pages could be written and a great many adjectives used, as I said. Two things I think, must be repeatedly impressed on any traveller. They are the wonders of nature and achievements of man. There are so many outstanding instances of both.

Numberless Varieties of Homes

As I travel along, I am always in-

terested to note the location of homes and wonder to myself if I think I should like to find myself in such surroundings. On a trip like this there are numberless varieties. There are frequently widely-scattered ones in the grain-growing districts, and the still more lonely ranch homes, the compensating interest of which must be the great stretch of view. There are others in little pockets in mountain sides and valleys where the majesty of the mountains and trees must make the appeal. There are homes where it would seem the choice of location must have been unfortunate, and life must be a struggle through the years, and of course others where nature has been lavish.

There were homes in country districts, in villages, in cities. I learned that B.C. has no towns. I might say I also learned that the very apparently-fashionable red hat worn by so many men in Washington was worn because it was the hunting season and all hunters must wear something red; so I did not buy one, as I at first contemplated.

In a sense the trip is a continuous source of wonderment—the great mountain peaks, their sides partly clothed in forest, the stark and bare ravines, the trees, some ablaze with their autumn foliage, and the sheer beauty of lakes and mountain streams.

Greatness of Man's Achievement

It is also a sense of wonderment at what man has achieved, the building of the road being outstanding. Also it is a continued marvel to think of the courage of those first travellers across the desert who were not daunted but pressed on.

It is also a realization that men of all callings working together, making use of what Nature offers, can make

for a wonderful world.

And now we are at Victoria with its beautiful late-October roses!

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

A.F.A. NOTES

(Continued from page 5)

Constitutional Amendments—A recent meeting of the Board of Directors agreed that they will ask the Annual Meeting for authorization to increase the number of Directors on the Board. The U.F.A. and A.F.U. have both asked for increased representation on the Board. The Directors are recommending that these organizations each be allowed one additional Director, also that the U.F.W.A. be granted a Director on the Board.

Reproduction of the Canadian Federation leaflet, "Just a Reminder", is concluded below from our last issue. The leaflet described various achievements which have won the C.F.A. national recognition. It concludes:

8. Improvements and changes in the Dominion Income tax in its application to farmers, including the new basic herd plan and the provision for averaging farm income over a period of years for tax purposes, were brought about directly as the result of CFA representations to the Government. The income tax department is consulting the CFA to an ever-increasing degree with respect to all phases of farm income tax.

9. CFA was the organization in Canada to be granted the privilege of a liaison office within the headquarters of the War Assets Corporation in Montreal. This was granted directly as a result of CFA consultation with the government, and was carried out for two years in co-operation with the various Provincial Departments of Agriculture. This project resulted in many benefits to farmers in all parts of Canada, chiefly in developing the plan for sales of surplus army trucks to farms at prices lower than those to the regular trade.

10. The greatly improved weather service now provided by the Government in all parts of Canada, which has been of benefit to the farming industry, is in line with the special presentation made on this subject by the CFA in the summer of 1945.

11. The CFA has been a joint sponsor of the National Farm Radio Forum since its inception 8 years ago. This adult educational project for farm people is acknowledged to be the outstanding program of its type in the world.

12. In the international field, the CFA has played a leading part in the formation of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers and the CFA president is a vice-president of the international organization. The CFA is to play host to this world farmers' conference in 1949. The outstanding position held by the CFA in the IFAP conferences is indicated by the words of Mr. Alan Ramsay of London, England, who wrote of the CFA delegation to the 1948 conference in Paris, France, as follows:

"My own opinion is that the Canadian delegation has emerged a very clear leader, judged on clarity of thought and expression of opinion. Their delegates quickly get down to fundamentals."

13. For seven years the CFA has maintained a national office in Ottawa, and since 1943 the President and Secretary both have been on a full-time basis in that office. These officials are in close and frequent contact with government departments, and have ready access to senior officials and Cabinet Ministers, because of the high status achieved by the CFA through the years. Thus many matters of importance to farmers are dealt with from day to day.

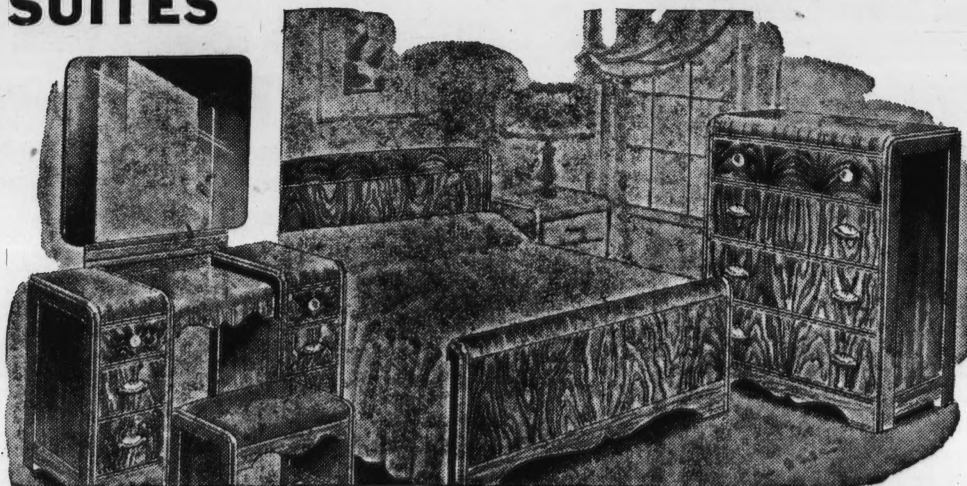
14. The cost of operation of the national office of the CFA and its activities for 1947, including its membership fee for the IFAP, averaged approximately ten cents per farmer of the farmer members embraced within the membership of the various farm organizations in Canada which comprise the CFA.

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Arrowwood Wins First

Arrowwood U.F.W.A. took first prize in the Better Farm House Competition, it was announced recently. Burdett and Dinton Women's Institutes were in second and third places; Delia U.F.W.A. and Cayley Women's Institute tied for fourth place. Other U.F.W.A. Locals winning prizes were Clover Bar, Alix, Grand Meadow, Berrywater, Camrose.

Fort Saskatchewan U.F.W.A. recently heard a very fine talk on China Painting, by Mrs. R. M. Bacon.

Pickardville U.F.W.A. postponed their dance to November 19th. They arranged recently to meet especially to put shellcraft articles together.

Campers Vote Event "Grand Success"

Much to Commend in Varied Features

"I think this camp has been a grand success. It should be continued and the idea enlarged upon." These sentences by Morris Shaw of Lacombe sum up conclusions set down in a large number of letters received by Douglas C. Thornton, Educational Director of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative from farm young people who attended the first Rural Leadership Camp held during the summer. It is quite impossible to quote at length from these most interesting and valuable letters, but a few extracts from them, selected as far as possible so as to touch upon various features of the week, are given below:

Chance of a Lifetime

"This has been the chance of a lifetime, and I only hope that many more will learn in this way how to lead and serve their communities. In our public speaking course, we learned to a great extent to overcome our fear of the thought of addressing an audience. We found many new and interesting things in our photography class. Mrs. Kyler's cooking certainly added to the enjoyment of the meals." — Marjorie Steiner, Arrowwood.

Experience Not to Be Missed

"A camp like this gives an experience no young person should miss. It enlarges the educational, physical, social and vocational worlds of all who take part. Our public speaking 'play-back' through the recording machine pointed out to us our own mistakes." — T. H. Addy, Taber.

Learn to Mix and Work Together

"I have profited in every possible way by the numerous things I have learned. There should be more of these camps. They teach farm youth how to mix and work together." — Faye Nelson, Owendale.

Hopes Camp Will Continue

"I feel very strongly that rural young people should have training such as this course has given us, and I hope this camp will continue. The staff, Doug and Mona Thornton, Mr. Hillerud, Lawrence Proudfoot and Irma Stanley had the program very well planned." — Lillian Davenport, To-field.

Sports Teach Team Play

"In the sports activities, team play was introduced. This proved again that a group of people working together can achieve better results than any one person could possibly attain. Nowhere have I developed so much — physically, socially and educationally

— as in this one short week." — Lorne Alton, Westlock.

Definite Pattern of Co-operation

"This camp set up a definite pattern of co-operation which anyone can use. I learned very much on public speaking. I should like to show my appreciation by thanking the entire staff and fellow campers for a wonderful week of education, recreation, and instruction in swimming." — Gordon Hoines, Viking.

Spirit of Camp Thrilling

"The organization and spirit of this camp have been most certainly thrilling to me. I enjoyed very much the sincere criticisms that were offered us after our five-minute talks." — Ted Nelson, Owendale.

At the last meeting of Wainwright Junior U.F.A., detailed arrangements were made for the "Flag Whist" to be held this evening (November 5th) in the I.O.O.F. hall, writes Lorna Harding, secretary.

Farm Home and Garden

Baked Meat Loaf: Combine 1 lb. minced steak, 1 chopped onion, 2 tsp. salt, 1 egg, 4 shredded wheat biscuits, 2 tbs. melted fat, with 1/4 cup stock or water.

Raisin Pie: Simmer 2 cups seedless raisins with 3/4 cup corn syrup and 2 tbs. water. Blend 3 1/2 tbs. each cornstarch and water, and add to raisin mixture; remove from heat and add a pinch of salt, 1 tbs. butter, 1 tbs. vinegar and 1 tsp. vanilla. Cool slightly and turn into paste-lined pie plate; cover with pastry top or with strips in lattice effect.

Mrs. E. Iverson, Mrs. J. Humphrey and Mrs. B. Fletcher were elected officers of Bonanza U.F.W.A. Local, organized recently by Mrs. V. C. Flint.

Carstairs U.F.W.A. recently voted to send \$20 a year to CARE for parcels for Italy, and to give \$5 to the Institute for the Blind. Their annual flower show was a pronounced success, reports Mrs. A. M. Wishart.

OTTAWA LETTER

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195 million last July; (c) greater production of pork (with record corn crop) and less of beef—with feed supplies the best in the history of United States; (d) egg prices higher for first half of year, lower in second half.

Saunders Wheat Has Many Virtues

There will be further distribution of new, early maturing wheat, named Saunders this year. Earlier reports estimated there would be over 100,000 bushels at harvest time. This seems low. Reports show that Saunders has outyielded Thatcher three out of four times in the Peace River country, and Red Bobs three out of five times. Saunders ripened four to five days earlier than Thatcher and about the same time as Garnet. While Garnet has slightly higher yield, this is said to be more than balanced by Saunders' higher grades, stronger straw and freedom from shattering. Saunders resists stem rust and loose smut, is moderately resistant to bunt, black chaff and root rot.

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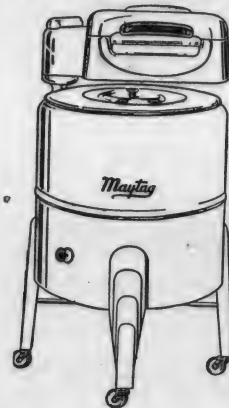
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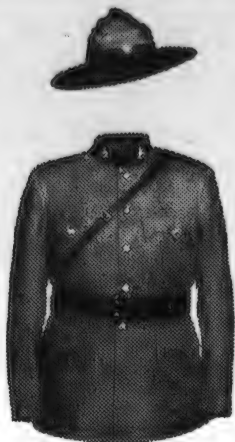
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agreement with the United Kingdom, Cecil Lamont, President, announces. It is suggested that this difference in price, in the aggregate, be paid by the National Treasury into a fund to guarantee floor prices to farmers in future years. It is further suggested that the Royal Commission should pass on the whole question of future agreements for long term bulk grain sales.

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World Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
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MERELY PROPAGANDA

Reuters, the British news agency, has cabled the information to Canada that a wheat glut is in the offing. The despatch says the looming problem is not how the importing countries will find enough supplies, but how exporting countries can find enough markets; also that Europe's crop this year showed a tremendous increase of about 13,000,000 tons over last year, and this is fortified by comparable increases in other grains and potatoes.

The despatch says further that phenomenal crops in the United States alone could probably export as much grain as all the world's importers require.

The views expressed in this news story are so entirely different from information which has been provided from authoritative sources on the world food situation that it is worth careful examination. In the first place, it should be understood that Sydney Gampell is the usual source of information on grain matters for Reuters news agency. Mr. Gampell is associated with the British grain trade and a notorious "bear" when it comes to discussing grain matters.

In Reuters review of the situation, the increase in Europe's wheat production over last year was emphasized. But Europe's 1948 crop of 1,460,000,000 bushels was 8 per cent under the pre-war average. Furthermore, since 1939 Europe's population has increased by 25,000,000 people.

Marshall Plan Will Absorb Wheat

Reuters expands on the huge crop in the United States, but fails to explain that under the Marshall Plan that country will give away enormous quantities of wheat. The wheat import requirements of Western Germany, Italy, Greece and other destitute European nations will be met from United States' donations.

The United States Department of Agriculture estimates that total wheat stocks in the world, available for export this year, will range about 900,000,000 bushels and that two-thirds of that volume will be required by European countries participating in the European Recovery Program. The balance will be required elsewhere throughout a hungry world. Even with world exports reaching a total of 900,000,000 bushels importing countries will not be able to provide a per capita consumption of wheat approaching pre-war levels. In addition to a substantial increase in population, those countries have a low level of reserve stocks of all food products and there is a continued need for using food grains as a substitute for other foods in short supply, particularly meat and other animal products.

It would seem, therefore, that the Reuters despatch was merely propaganda on behalf of lower prices for wheat.

FARM WAGES COMPARED

Average August wage rates for farm workers in all parts of Canada this year constituted a high record, the daily rate, with board, standing at \$4.40 compared with \$4.13 a year ago, states the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. September rates are not yet available.

Top price at the dispersal sale of the purebred Holstein herd of C. H. Bly, Nutana, Sask., was \$975 for a two-year-old heifer.

BUENOS AIRES—Hog numbers in Argentina are estimated at the lowest figure in thirty years, totalling less than three million head. There was a decline of about 25 per cent between 1937 and 1947. Signs of recovery in the industry are now reported.

Livestock Markets Review

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Nov. 1st

— Last week was marked by very heavy receipts and depressed values. Bulk of steers on offer were of plain quality, trading from \$13 to \$16.50, small lots selling at \$18 and a few of good quality at \$19. Heifers sold mostly \$12.50 to \$16, cows \$12 to \$14. Grade A hogs were \$30 for shipment, \$28.25 at plants.

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Nov. 2nd—Grade A hogs up to \$29.10 from yesterday's \$28.75; sows steady at \$20, feeder hogs \$24 to \$30. Lambs \$19 to \$19.50, yearlings \$12, ewes \$6 to \$7. Good to choice steers \$20 to \$22, down to \$16 for common; good to choice heifers \$18.50 to \$20, down to \$15 for common; good cows \$15 to \$15.75, down to \$13; canners and cutters, \$10 to \$12.50; good bulls \$17.50 to \$18.50, down to \$15 for common; good to choice vealers \$18.50 to \$19, down to \$14 for common. During October, 28,131 cattle and calves were marketed in these yards.

The Dairy Market

Production is holding up fairly well, though for one week recently Southern Alberta was down 11 per cent as compared with the corresponding period a year ago. Prices stand at ceilings; locally butterfat is 69 cents and butter 67 cents.

RED BOBS WHEAT (Contd. from p. 1) ing had been called by the Federation for the purpose of securing all the facts regarding the position of Red Bobs Wheat, and the proposed degrading of this variety. He pointed out that this was a popular variety in many districts and farmers felt concern regarding the possibility of it not being eligible for top grades.

The speakers pointed out that over a period of years Red Bobs wheat had proven to be of lower protein content than Marquis and other leading varieties, and as a result was affecting the milling quality of our western wheats. This fact has been realized for some time, but circumstances did not permit earlier action. With the advent of Saunders and Redman varieties in addition to Thatcher, the Board considered that Red Bobs could now be gradually withdrawn without loss to the farmers.

Not Up to Standard

Dr. Anderson used slides showing maps and detail data on which their arguments and decisions were based. This data proved quite conclusively that Red Bobs does not come up to the standard of Marquis in protein content. The data collected also showed that Red Bobs wheat was on the decline in practically all areas; thus they did not think degrading the 1951 crop would work any hardship, especially when stocks of seeds of new varieties such as Saunders were increasing rapidly.

A second meeting was held in Calgary on November 2nd.

Must Preserve Top Soil

Dust storms are indisputable evidence of the fact that our prairie top soils can be, and are being, destroyed, writes Dr. F. J. Greaney, in a recent bulletin of Line Elevators Farm Service. For human welfare and world peace the maintenance of Canada's great food-producing resources — our prairie soils — is of paramount importance. Dr. Greaney commends the work of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration but urges that "more funds, more technicians and, most of all, more conservation education" are needed.

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Held Over

Owing to exceptional pressure on space it has been unfortunately necessary to hold over several important articles until our next issue. Included among them is a description of a banquet held in Wainwright at which leaders in many fields of Provincial activity paid tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Spencer, who have left Edmonton to take up residence at Comox, B.C.

POST-WAR CHRONICLE

Oct. 15th—Western powers failed to live up to agreement made with Stalin August 30th, charges Vishinsky in speech which brings quick denials and countercharge that failure was Russians'.

Oct. 16th—Jews and Egyptians fight on land and in air, southern Palestine.

Oct. 17th—Atlee, St. Laurent, Fraser, Evatt, "exchange views" with Eire ministers on proposed break with Commonwealth.

Oct. 18th—C.C.F. asks full explanation of Government's action in allowing four Frenchmen convicted by French courts of collaboration with Nazis, to remain in Canada after illegal entry in most cases.

Oct. 19th—Talks with Russia on Germany are useless while Berlin blockade continues, Big Three powers tell UN security council. UN atomic energy commission will resume work on atomic energy control, Western powers agree. French ambassador states four Frenchmen (tried in absentia) in honor bound to return to France for personal trial.

Oct. 20th—UN political committee endorses Western powers' plan for control of atomic energy.

Oct. 21st—Chinese Communist forces take Changchun, Manchurian capital. India wants republican government, with continuing place in Commonwealth, Nehru says. Britain to spend \$400 millions of Marshall Plan funds in Canada, in year ending June 1949.

Oct. 22nd—Commonwealth conference concluded in London; pledge support to objectives of UN.

Oct. 23rd—U.S. and Canada will agree to military aid to five-power alliance of Western Europe, reported from Paris.

Oct. 24th—Fighting renewed along northern Israeli frontier.

Oct. 25th—Russia vetoes proposals of UN neutral committee for Berlin solution.

Oct. 26th—Five-power alliance will ask U.S. for North Atlantic defence pact, announced in Paris. British steel industry to be nationalized, stated in speech from throne at opening new session of Parliament.

Oct. 27th—Work pushed on North Atlantic defence pact; Canada announces willingness to participate.

Oct. 28th—Decisive battle rages for control of Manchuria. Stalin accuses members of UN neutral committee of supporting war policy.

Oct. 29th—"Fighting war" not likely at this time, says St. Laurent. Canadian proposal, to turn over to sub-committee question of sanctions in Palestine, accepted by UN security council.

Oct. 30th—Fall of Mukden to Communist forces reported. French coal strike reported dwindling.

Oct. 31st—Big shipment military supplies will be sent to Chiang Kai-Shek government within two weeks, using



ST. LAURENT
(See Oct. 29th)

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Livestock Numbers Rising in Great Britain

LONDON, Eng.—Livestock numbers are again rising in Britain; calves are up 16 per cent over last year; sheep, of which hundreds of thousands were lost in the storms of the winter before last, are up by 9 per cent over last year; pigs have increased 32 per cent, poultry 21 per cent. In addition, milk production has gone up and the average yield per cow has risen 8 per cent since the war. Beef output this year is expected to exceed the pre-war figure by 19 per cent.

Naval vessels, states Washington. Disidents in Greek Parliament will delay pressure for new government until after UN has passed on Russian demand for removal all foreign troops from Greece.

Nov. 1st—Scandinavian sentiment for joining Western alliance is increasing, states Copenhagen despatch.

Nov. 2nd—Truman leads in U.S. presidential election.

Nov. 3rd—Truman elected, completely discrediting Gallup polls which had forecast sweeping victory for Dewey.

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carried it through to its present position of strength and influence.

This week there has come to our desk the excellent special number of **Alberta Wheat Pool Budget**, printed on paper of good quality and illustrated with cuts of historic interest, published on the actual Anniversary date, October 29th. The issue will be valued highly and retained as a memento by all who have been associated with the Pool in the past as by those who are active in the movement today. We should like to congratulate Leonard D. Nesbitt, the able Director of Publicity of the Pool and editor of its publication.

The Gallup Poll went out on a limb and the limb broke.

U.F.W.A. Local News

Members of Stony Plain U.F.W.A. brought articles for an overseas parcel to their latest meeting, and also gave a shower for one of their number who had lost her home by fire.

The November meeting of Hazel Bluff U.F.W.A. (Westlock) will be the first dinner meeting of the year, writes Mrs. W. E. McKibbin. At the last meeting a collection of \$10 was taken up for the month's CARE parcel.

Introduced by Miss Newha, district economist, the Nutrition Course undertaken by Three Hills U.F.W.A. was continued by Mrs. Frame, and plans were made for the third lesson in the series to be held this month.

Very good hints on storing vegetables were given at the recent meeting of Loyalty U.F.W.A. (Huxley). Plans were made for the bazaar and supper, and it was decided to work for a women's rest room in Trochu.

In answering Advertisements, please mention The Western Farm Leader.



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By SYDNEY MAY

Down in Nova Scotia they're still digging for Captain Kidd's historic treasure. History, of course, is just kidding them.

Dominion Agricultural Department has called off its drive for "bigger and better eggs". It seems that the chickens have been shelling out too heavily.

However, in future the hens won't have so much to cackle about nor the roosters so much to crow over.

News item says that northern California has been visited by a "moderate earthquake". That seems to be one time when the Hollywood press agents aren't use their overworked adjective "Colossal".

THIS IS TERRIBLE

Li'l Goldlocks, our office vamp, tells us that when she was out with Knotty Frankie the other night he acted like a bird. Yep, says she, Cheap! Cheap!! Cheap!!!

Why kick about high bread prices, asks Mary of Carbon, when everybody knows that the baker kneads the dough? Shucks, Mary, you ought to do better than that.

"OLD LETTERS"

Blue flames — gold flames —
Red tongues of fire,
Licking over papers of long, long ago.
Ruthlessly destroying —
While I watch, desire
Creeps like a wild thing there
in the glow.

Why do I burn them?

Memory-filled pages —
"Save them! Oh, save them!" my
heartstrings beseech.
But must I remember
Down through the ages,
Promises and dreams that still
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Now there are ashes —
Cold, grey, unmeaning,
Gone all the words that I read
o'er and o'er.
Yet through the long nights
Memories are seeming
To bring back the pages more
clear than before!
— Eve Pfeifer,
Chinook, Alberta.

BARA BASHES

Hello, Musty, don't forget your sins shall find you out—so make sure they are good ones.

And did you know, brother, that a poet must be as careful in the use of his everyday words as an athlete is careful in the use of his diet.

WELCOME BACCHUS

Away with thoughts that devastate our brain;
Away with feelings that convulse the nerves.
O waiter, fill our cup with rich champagne,
O maid, intoxicate us with your curves.

According to a Winnipeg professor, there is such a thing as a national conscience as well as national consciousness. And if that be true, Sydney, and I believe it is, then what we need to develop most is the universal consciousness and the universal conscience.

PROCLAMATION

If I were the mayor of Calgary, Or Edmonton, it does not really matter,
I would forthwith proclaim this high degree,
That every girl must wear form-fitting sweater.

And that reminds me, Musty, that during my recent visit to Edmonton, while driving south over the Low Level Bridge, I recalled a former observation in this column, namely: "that the curved line is the most beautiful distance between two points." Of course, Calgary is not without its curves—especially those perched on two legs.

And that will be all for this time, Sydney, thanking you very much—and hoping you are the same.

— Volodimir Barabash.

And thank you, Volly, and we shall hope to see you again and often.

"Water Revenue May Hit Million."—headline in the *Calgary Albertan*. Well, that's one city utility that isn't all wet.

According to a news item, some of the gals in Hollywood are wearing dresses with a bustle that lights up when wiggled. Other gals will now, of course, have to tack a back seat.

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United Grain Growers Limited and Subsidiary Companies

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET—JULY 31, 1948

ASSETS

CURRENT AND WORKING ASSETS:

Cash in bank, on hand and with paying agents	\$ 1,382,711.42	
Dominion of Canada Bonds—at cost (Market value, July 31, 1948—\$200,200.00)	200,600.00	
Accounts and accruals receivable, less reserves	639,131.46	
Inventories		
As determined and certified by responsible officials:		
Grain—		
Stocks of wheat and flax valued on basis of fixed prices set by The Canadian Wheat Board, and stocks of other grains valued on basis of market quotations	\$ 3,470,176.83	
Twine, coal and sundry merchandise—at cost, less reserve	1,259,618.02	
		4,729,794.85
Prepaid and deferred charges		106,358.90
		<u>\$ 7,058,596.63</u>

INVESTMENTS

Memberships and common stocks	\$ 1,662.00	
(Approximate market value July 31, 1948—\$40,000.00)		
Mortgages and agreements of sale	115,285.80	
		<u>116,947.80</u>

EMPLOYEES' PENSIONS:

Payments to the Annuities Branch of the Dominion Government — less amounts written off		116,865.92
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CAPITAL ASSETS:

Country and terminal elevator properties, printing plant, warehouse and equipment, etc.—at cost	\$14,658,692.98	
Less—Reserves for depreciation	7,813,915.74	
	\$ 6,844,777.24	
Publication establishment costs of "The Country Guide"—net	93,275.93	
		<u>6,938,053.17</u>
		<u>\$14,230,463.52</u>

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Grain cash tickets and orders	\$ 1,703,414.60	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,395,301.98	
Reserve for income and excess profits taxes	610,119.84	
Patronage dividend—		
Amount set aside for allocation to customers in respect of grain receipts in the fiscal year	250,000.00	
Shareholders' dividends, including unclaimed dividends of prior years	199,422.83	
		<u>\$ 4,158,259.25</u>

DEFERRED SHARE CERTIFICATES:

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Outstanding—		
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4% Sinking Fund Bonds, Series "C"—maturing March 1, 1963	1,750,000.00	
		<u>3,750,000.00</u>

CAPITAL, RESERVE AND SURPLUS:

Capital Stock—		
Class "A" redeemable preferred shares:		
Authorized 200,000 shares—of a par value of \$20.00 each		
Outstanding 164,992 shares—after redemption of 7,409 shares to date	\$ 3,299,840.00	
Class "B" (membership) shares:		
Authorized 200,000 shares—of a par value of \$5.00 each		
Outstanding 54,037 shares—exclusive of 472 shares held in treasury	270,185.00	
		<u>\$ 3,570,025.00</u>
Note—During the fiscal year 24,043 Class "A" shares were issued at par, including 42 shares on re-allotment of 168 Class "B" shares.		
General reserve	1,647,057.42	
Capital surplus—unchanged during year	170,457.57	
Earned surplus—as per statement attached	766,206.55	
		<u>6,153,746.54</u>
Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors:		
J. E. BROWNLEE		
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		<u>\$14,230,463.52</u>

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of United Grain Growers Limited and its subsidiary companies as at July 31, 1948, and the consolidated statement of profit and loss and earned surplus for the fiscal year ending on that date, and all our requirements as auditors have been complied with. In connection therewith, we examined or tested the accounting records and other supporting evidence and obtained all the information and explanations we required; we also reviewed the accounting procedures and made a comprehensive test of the detailed transactions for the year.

The liability for income and excess profits taxes for the year subsequent to 1939, for which the management has made provision deemed adequate, is subject to final determination by the taxation authorities; instalment payments on account of such taxes have been withheld in respect of certain periods pending clarification of certain taxation matters. The depreciation provision for the year of \$504,540.00 represents the amount which, it is anticipated, will be allowed for income tax purposes.

In our opinion, based on our examination and with the foregoing explanations, the above consolidated balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the combined companies' affairs as at July 31, 1948, and the related statement of profit and loss and earned surplus presents fairly the result of operations for the fiscal year ending on that date, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the companies.

Winnipeg, October 9, 1948.

PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.,

Auditors.